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Three references are being cited. PCT application publication no. WO 00/70553 was previously cited in a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed October 17, 2002 but the form PTO-1449 returned with the next Office Action mailed February 28, 2003 was not initialed by the examiner. Therefore, this reference is being resubmitted, and its counterpart U.S. patent no. 6,496,381 is being cited for the first time.

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| OTHER ART (including Tanner, et al., 1997, 1998) |   |   |
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